

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
BILLINGS DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, vs. JEFFREY RYAN O'KEEFE, Defendant.	CR 21-34-BLG-SPW PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE
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Before the Court is the United States' Unopposed Motion for a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture (Doc. 30). Defendant Jeffrey Ryan O'Keefe appeared before the Court on December 9, 2021 and entered a plea of guilty to the Indictment. O'Keefe's plea provides a factual basis and cause to issue an Order of Forfeiture, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d).

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the motion is GRANTED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. O'Keefe's interest in the following property is forfeited to the United States in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 924(d):


- Ruger LC9S, 9mm caliber semi-automatic pistol (serial number 327-27013); and
- 5 rounds of assorted 9mm ammunition.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the United States Marshals Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives shall seize the property subject to forfeiture and further shall make a return as provided by law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the United States shall provide written notice to all third parties asserting a legal interest in any of the above-described property and will post on an official government internet site (www.forfeiture.gov) for at least 30 consecutive days as required by Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions of the Court's Preliminary Order and the United States' intent to dispose of the property in such manner as the Attorney General may direct, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1), and shall make its return to this Court that such action has been completed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that upon adjudication of all third-party interests, if any, the Court will enter a final order of forfeiture and in any event this Order shall become final as to Mr. O'Keefe at sentencing and is incorporated into any judgment issued in this case pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2(b)(4)(A)-(B).

DATED this 10th day of December, 2021.



SUSAN P. WATTERS
United States District Court Judge